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BAPTIST MINISTERS MAD.

Don't Like Advanced Views Held by W. R. Harper of Chicago.

The Baptist community is much stirred up over the visit of W. R. Harper, D. D., president of the University of Chicago, who will address the students of McMaster to-night, at their convocation in Castle Memorial Hall.

The conferring of degrees has usually taken place in Walmer - road Baptist Church, but, on account of the advanced views held by Dr. Harper, the church authorities declined to permit the use of their building. The Baptist pastors of the city passed a resolution, deprecating the invitation to Dr. Harper, the only dissentient being Rev. J. D. Freeman of Bloor-street Church.

The Alumni Association of McMaster University met on Monday evening, continued yesterday, and will conclude to-day, when the business meeting will be held, and a dinner given in the college dining-rooms.

Last night, Dr. A. T. Robertson, dean of the Southern Baptist Seminary of Louisville, Ky., delivered the baccalaureate sermon to about eight hundred of the students and friends. He dwelt on Paul's conception of Christian manhood. The presiding chancellor, Dr. Welton, was in the chair, and the other professors, with Dr. Tracy of Toronto University, Principal A. L. McCrimmon of Woodstock Baptist College, and Rev. Mr. Hughson of Lindsay, president of the alumni, were on the platform.

Rev. Dr. Harper is expected in the city to-day, and will be the guest of Mr. D. E. Thomson, K. C.

2ND DAY OF THE BICYCLE RACE.

Both Riders Warming Up to Their Work.

The bicycle race on moveable platforms between Messrs. Harley Davidson and Sam Young, which has been occupying the public attention for the last two days, was yesterday a great attraction for the man "about town." After two hours' work the record for the four hours stood as follows: Davidson, 126 1-5 miles; Young, 125 7-10. The progress of the race, which is taking place in the windows of the Canada Cycle and Motor Company, 34 West King-street, was watched again by a large crowd of interested spectators. The wheels used are the celebrated C.C.M. Blue Flyers—said to be the fastest wheels on earth—world records were made by Taylor, Walker, Morton, Hopper, Forget and Don Walker in France, Australia and Canada on these machines.

The "home trainers," or moveable platforms, which actually replace the road in every particular, are the invention of Mr. Sam Young.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

The High School Board met last night, with Trustee Elliott in the chair.

The recommendation, to give J. A. Wismer, on his retirement on June 30, a year's salaary, which is $1800, and the appointment of a teacher, in his place, at a salary of $1000 per annum, was adopted by the board. Mr. Wismer has taught school in Toronto for 25 years, eleven in the Public Schools and 14 years in the High Schools, as master of book-keeping and algebra.

A. MacMurchy, late principal of Jarvis-street Collegiate Institute, has offered the board a rare collection of educational documents, which represents the work of 50 years.

Coronation of the May Queen.

A unique and what will surely be an attractive entertainment is to be given in Massey Hall on Thursday evening, by the young ladies of the Church of England Day and Boarding School. There will be a full professional orchestra, soloists and chorus of 150, and the entertainment is to be under the distinguished patronage of the Governor-General and Countess Minto, Bishop of Toronto, Bishop of Ottawa and the Mayor. Everyone is familiar with Tennyson's May Queen, and this will be rendered during the evening in a very clear manner.

LOCAL BREVITIES

C. C. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, will speak before the Household Economic Association in the Conservatory of Music Hall this evening.

The Toronto Horticultural Society held a meeting in St. George's Hall last night. William Hunt of the O.A.C., Guelph, delivered a lecture on the care and cultivation of roses.

Frank A. Smith, a hero of Hart's River, is going to the Northwest, and was presented with a fine traveling bag and an address by a few of his friends Monday night, at McConkey's.

IN CONVENTION.

Teachers Learn Something Not in the Class Books.

A number of young women attending a teachers' convention at Oklahoma City some time ago learned a valuable lesson in hygiene through a sister teacher, who says: "About a year ago I had my first attack of poor health, and it seemed a terrible thing to me, for I had always been so well and strong. My stomach distressed me terribly; it seemed like it was raw, especially after breakfast, and it would burn and hurt me so I could not rest. I was soon convinced that it was caused by coffee drinking, and, at the request of a friend, I gave up coffee and began to use Postum Coffee.

"The change in my condition was something marvellous. I had actually given up teaching because doctors were unable to help my stomach trouble, but since I quit coffee and used Postum my troubles have disappeared and I have gone to teaching again.

"Some time ago I attended a convention at Oklahoma City, and determined to have Postum at my boarding house, where there were eight other teachers, four of them suffering from coffee sickness. My landlady did not make the Postum right, but I showed her how, and we all found it delicious. We all drank it the rest of the time we were there, and the young ladies in question felt much better and declared that their heads were much clearer for study, and their general health much improved. I have their names, if you care for them." Names furnished by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Stratton Finishes Story of Relations With Gamey

Hon. James R. Stratton has had his say in his own defence. He proved a good witness. His story was plausible, and the Provincial Secretary stuck to it thru all the devious ways of a merciless cross - examination. Still, it was with an air of evident relief that he stepped down and out of the witness box.

As on the previous day, there was an unusually large attendance when the Commission resumed its session. But, while the battle between counsel and witness was keen and determined, it lacked any of the spectacular features that might have been expected to develop.

As to Campaign Funds.

When the Commission resumed, the Chancellor dealt with the question of inquiry into the campaign fund at once, saying that it was asserted, and perhaps to be assumed that there was an election or campaign fund with both political parties, and it might be right to investigate where the money alleged to have been paid Mr. Gamey came from. If so, it must not extend beyond the limits of August, 1902, to March, 1903, and either party could investigate the disposal of moneys belonging to the campaign funds of either party, but such investigation should be in private.

Mr. Kitchie announced that the Ontario Bank officials were now willing to permit an examination of their books, provided that the books were promptly returned.

Was a Stubborn Witness.

Then Mr. Stratton faced the ordeal he evidently dreaded, but he stayed by his guns manfully, resisted as best he could the searching questions of his keen interrogator, and, when opportunity offered, even attempted light repartee. Anything that was obtained from Mr. Stratton had to be worked for. His reticence was great, tho, at times, he did show a desire to enter into a lengthy explanation, but was promptly checked, and told that a straight yes or no, unequivocal answer was all that was required. At which Mr. Stratton would fold his arms and lean back in the witness box with an air of resignation to the will of a heartless persecutor.

Tit for Tat.

Once he revised a question put to him and asked that it should be given him properly.

"I am the counsel," said Mr. Blake. "You are merely J. R. Stratton in the witness box."

Mr. Stratton bided his time. After being given over to the more tender mercies of his own counsel, replying to a query as to why one letter should have been addressed to "My Dear Gamey" and a succeeding one to him simply as "My Dear Sir," Mr. Stratton opined that perhaps he was thinking of "My Dear Foy" at the time.

Defence Practically Closed.

Mr. Stratton left the stand a few minutes after 3 o'clock, and a few minutes later the Commission adjourned until this morning. The defence is practically closed, in fact, it is hardly likely they will call on any witness of importance. What line of rebuttal evidence will be submitted by the prosecution, Mr. McPherson was unable to say, but it will be brief.

The newspaper reporters who journeyed to Buffalo to interview Mr. Gamey a couple of weeks ago have all been served with subpoenas by the defence, altho the object is not clear.

What is Party Patronage?

Before Mr. Stratton stepped out of the box, the Chancellor examined him at some length on the matter of what "patronage" was. Was there a written policy on the subject pursued alike by the two political parties? Mr. Stratton did not know. An application for a position would have to have the endorsation of party supporters. There was no fixed rule. Each party acted in its own way.

"The matter is not dealt with in any constitutional or any book, it has not yet ripened into that condition, but you have your own policy in this party to which you are attached, that you follow, and don't know that it is observed by any other or anywhere else?

Mr. Stratton: "I don't know, I am sure, My Lord."

THERE IS A DIFFERENCE

Between "Support for Patronage" and Vice Versa.

When Mr. Blake resumed his examination of Mr. Stratton, it was in connection with the letter of Sept. 10, prepared in Mr. Stratton's office and handed to Mr. Aylesworth for presentation to Mr. Gamey. The sentences in it: "I have decided to give you my support during the present parliament," and "All I would ask is that I will be considered and treated as one elected to support your government," Mr. Stratton said, simply voiced Mr. Gamey's ideas, not his own.

Mr. Blake: Does it to your mind make any difference whether you approached him and said, "We will give you the support that is given to those elected," or "We will give you the consideration that is given to those who have been elected to support the government if you will support us" —did it to your mind make any difference whether the proposal came from you or came from him? — I would suppose that it did.

What would you suppose would make the difference whether he said, "Give me the patronage and I will give you support," or you said, "Give me support and I will give you the patronage"? What difference does it, to your mind, make in which way it comes? — It would reverse the matter very materially.

In what respect? — It would look as if I was approaching Mr. Gamey to come over and support the government and giving him some inducement to do so, and I was not doing anything of the kind.

And in the other it was Mr. Gamey that came to the government and said: "If you will give me the patronage I will give you my support"? — He did not say that.

You don't think the letter says that? — No. The letter distinctly states that he had decided to give his support to the government, on his own conditions, the government to give the same consideration to his recommendations.

As a rule, on your oath, do you not give more consideration to supporters of the government than to those who are opposed to it? — We do, certainly.

Rested With Mr. Aylesworth.

As to the letter, it had been given to Mr. Aylesworth to use as his own judgment saw fit. If he thought it advisable in view of what might take place for Gamey to sign it, he was not Mr. Aylesworth's adviser; he was to use his own best judgment.

"When this letter turned up in the Premier's office, it looked like a letter written by Mr. Gamey of his own hand and motion to the Premier of Ontario?" ventured Mr. Blake.

"It would look that way," grudgingly assented the witness before he would say yes.

Then at all events this letter was prepared by you in the way in which you have mentioned, and it was sent down to be accepted if the solicitor approved. I now ask you where it was next found.

Letter in Premier's Office.

The next time I saw it was in the Premier's office. I obtained it from the Premier's private secretary.

Then it got into the Premier's office? —Yes.

Now, before the letter was prepared, had you any discussion with any of the members of the Council as to it? — None whatever.

The letter then being in the hands of the Premier, I ask you whether you had any commission other than that which you referred to yesterday to deal with this class of matter? — I had no commission to deal with it; I dealt with it myself.

But the Premier must have known there was something going on about it? — Not to my knowledge.

This letter comes from him? — The letter did not originally come from him.

I thought you said you got it from the Premier? — I said I got the letter from the Premier to make a copy on the 23rd or 24th of October.

Mr. Stratton explained that Mr. Aylesworth asked him to draw up the letter himself, because he knew what Mr. Gamey had said, and the next day the letter had been given to Mr. Aylesworth for Mr. Gamey to do with as he saw fit. Mr. Aylesworth thought the election petition could easily be fixed up if Mr. Gamey was going to support the government.

MR. GAMEY'S APPOINTMENTS.

Mr. Stratton Says He Was Out for Everything in Sight.

Then the matter of Mr. Gamey's request for the appointment of two license commissioners in Manitoulin was taken up. Mr. Stratton said he thought Mr. Gamey had been "out for everything in sight."

"Being out for everything in sight, he asked for the naming of the three commissioners?" — "No."

"Then he was not out for everything in sight," said Mr. Blake, but Mr. Stratton inferred that perhaps two would have given him control.

Did he name any person that he desired to be inspector? — I don't remember.

Did he name any commissioner? — I don't remember whether he mentioned any names or not.

About the License Commissioners.

Mr. Gamey had spoken about the returning officer to be appointed in the referendum vote, saying that there was a strong feeling in his riding that the officials already appointed were having too much to say and too much patronage. At the meeting of the License Board on Sept. 9, the matter of commissioners had been discussed.

You were taking him pretty well into your confidence on the strength of that letter—you were discussing the inspector and the license commissioners? — There was no such letter at the time spoken of or dreamed of at that time.

When was this conversation? — On the morning of the 9th.

And according to your statement you left the matter in that way? — I did. When I say I left the matter in that way, he asked me if I would let him know before any appointment was made, and I said I would, and if I thought of it I would write him.

Thought Him Unreliable.

That was the first time you met him, according to your statement? — The first time I ever saw him I met him.

And you had heard about him so as to lead you to conclude that he was an unreliable man? — I don't want to emphasize that too strongly.

But emphasize it truthfully and it will answer me. You said you heard he was an unreliable man? — Yes.

Where Mr. Gibson Comes in.

Dealing with Mr. Gamey's request, that Mr. Stratton tell the Minister of Public Works to inform J. F. Boyd, Government Road Inspector, to consult him in a quiet way, Mr. Stratton's recollection permitted him to say that he had promised to speak to the Commissioner of Public Works when the estimates were being brought down in regard to road matters.

Now, did you not see Mr. Gibson?—No, I did not.

Or ask him to approve of the recommendation? — I did not, further than the correspondence, whatever that shows.

I am surprised at that, because the letter before me says, "I have transferred your letter to the Hon. Mr. Gibson, Attorney - General, who has charge of the administration of justice"? — Yes.

Did you do that? — Yes.

Did you do any more? — No.

Then, why did you write to Mr. Gamey and say, "And have asked him to approve of your recommendation?" —In the transfer of the letter? Let me see my letter to Mr. Gibson—

Listen to me. I have a right to ask you as to your memory upon these things, and I am doing so. I ask you as to whether you have made any request to the Attorney - General, and you told me you had not? — I think I made a request to the Attorney-General that I had forwarded him the petition of the Lumber Company, and asked him to give his consideration to the petition.

Is this true, or is it not: "And have asked him (that is the Attorney-General) to approve of your recommendation"? — To approve of the recommendation of the petition?

No; to approve of your recommendation? — Well, to approve of both. It was supported by the Lumber Company petition.

Was Mr. Flesher appointed? — I believe he was. I think the Attorney-General has said that he was.

Wrote Him "in Kindness."

On Oct. 2, he had written Mr. Gamey for his view on the appointment of a returning officer, the answer to which was to be forwarded to the Premier. The letter was sent "merely in good faith and as a kindness." The letter from Mr. Gamey, recommending the appointment of E. H. Jackson, Mr. Stratton said he had not seen at all. It was probably answered by his private secretary. "If I was required to see everything that comes into my office, the days would have to be four times as long," he said.

Do you think that this is a letter that your subordinate should attend to, and did he attend to it? — I understand that the letter was transferred to the Premier.

GAMEY NAMED THE WINNERS.

Jackson and Flesher, His Appointees, Were Successful.

And do you know what action was taken upon that? — I don't know what action was taken upon that letter. I do know that Mr. Jackson was appointed.

That is the person named by Mr. Gamey? — Yes.

That is the second that we have had named by him that was appointed? — Not necessarily named by him, because it was decided.

Not necessarily named, but, as a fact, they were named? — No.

Didn't he name Mr. Flesher? — I don't know that he named Mr. Flesher.

Did not the letter sent to you name Mr. Flesher for appointment? — He forwarded a petition of the Aird Lumber Company, with this recommendation endorsing the petition, and upon the petition and the investigation of the Attorney - General, Mr. Flesher was appointed, and not on Mr. Gamey's recommendation.

Mr. Gamey made the recommendation? — Mr. Gamey endorsed the recommendation of the Aird Lumber Company.

Shall I have to read it over again, in which he puts it as a personal matter to you, that you would do this?—If you wish you may.

(Reads.) "Would you kindly make this appointment for me?"—I had not the appointment to make.

He asks you to do it? — It does not necessarily follow that, because he asks me, I will do it.

But the appointment was made? — Not upon his recommendation.

I am not asking you that. It was made? — It was made.

We have the letter? — And you have the petition. Be fair, now, and refer to both.

I have nothing to do with it. I am dealing with Mr. Gamey's attitude. As a result, that appointment was made? —Made.

And Mr. Jackson, the sheriff, was also appointed returning officer? — As I said to you yesterday, it had been decided that the same officers would be appointed.

Mr. Blake appealed to the Commissioners for a straight answer. The Chancellor said: "Those are the facts; the letter was written and the appointment made." Mr. Stratton echoed the words.

THAT COPIED LETTER.

Original Obtained From Premier's Office in His Absence.

Then up came the question of the copy of the letter of Sept. 10, with the exception of alterations and a change of date. After considerable cross-firing, witness said: "If you lesire to know I say that that is a copy of the letter of Sept. 10 which Mr. Gamey asked me to obtain for him, which I went to the Premier's office and got the original of, and had a copy made by Mr. Ford and that is the copy as far as I know."

When were those alterations put in it?—I don't know. They were not put in it in my office.

Therefore they were put in after it left your office?—After it left my office.

Didn't Cause Resignation.

Mr. Stratton was then taken to task for not having suggested to Mr. Gamey that an honorable course on his part would be to resign, instead of simply meeting his constituents and announcing his change of support. Did he recommend him to resign?—"No," said Mr. Stratton, "I did not. There was no necessity."

Strange Coincidences, Both.

The questioning then led up to The Globe interview. It seemed strange, said Mr. Blake, that the telegram was sent from Mr. Sullivan on the 27th and the interview obtained on Jan. 29. "Not stranger," replied Mr. Stratton, "than the $3000 issued by the Trust Co. for some business that was applied as the $3000 I had given Gamey —a coincidence I cannot help or be blamed for." As to the circumstances of the interview, Mr. Stratton said that the evidence of Mr. Hammond, The Globe reporter, was, as far as he could remember, correct, but there were certain things he did not quite recollect. "If you will allow me, I will explain," he said.

How Interview Was Prepared.

At the time you first spoke to Mr. Hammond, had you the interview prepared?—Yes.

When did you first speak to Mr. Hammond, according to your memory? —On the evening of the 28th.

You then had the interview prepared?—Yes.

But you had not shown it to Mr. Gamey until the 29th?—He had not the opportunity of seeing it.

Did you in the meantime make any alterations in it?—Between the time Hammond saw it——?

Yes.—Yes, I did.

Do you recollect what was the nature of the alterations?—A paragraph reconstructed here and there, two or three paragraphs which were re-typewritten.

However, it was an interview which you had prepared?—At Mr. Gamey's request.

It was a strange thing everything seems to have been prepared by you; the letter of 10th September you brought into existence, the letter of the 27th October you bring into existence; The Globe interview you bring into existence, and Mr. Gamey can write, you have told me?—I believe he can write.

Well, you were not undertaking to give him lessons in composition, were you?—No; I only did what he requested.

Did the members of the cabinet see this interview from the time that you first brought it into existence to the end?—No.

Premier Didn't Approve.

Mr. Stratton told the Premier of the circumstances of giving Mr. Gamey a copy of the original letter of Sept. 10, and his reasons for wishing to substitute it for the original.

What did the Premier say? — Did he approve of what you were doing? — He said he didn't have any confidence in Mr. Gamey.

Did he approve of what you were doing? — He didn't say anything about it.

I don't exactly gather what was the difficulty about the date of the letter? — Well, the date of the letter, apparently, looking at the past—Mr. Gamey had signed a letter with Mr. Aylesworth which he had mailed to the Premier, and he had subsequently gone to a Conservative convention, and he desired to cover up his tracks of having mailed the letter to the Premier and having gone to the convention, and to remove the duplicity that evidently that letter placed him in.

Wouldn't it have been an easier thing to have destroyed the letter? — Perhaps that is what he asked for the original to get to do.

Left Him in the Lurch.

Then Mr. Gamey's letter of Feb. 7 was touched on, wherein he said there was "a row on" and "in fact it looks as if they would ask for my resignation." Mr. Stratton had made no answer to the letter.

"Did you leave the poor man in the lurch?" said Mr. Blake.

"I wasn't his political god-father," said Mr. Stratton, "I left him absolutely alone to take what course he saw fit."

Makes Strong Denial.

Mr. Stratton denied all knowledge of the famous "X Y Z" letter. "I swear most positively I never saw that, I never suggested it, I never dictated it, and I never knew of it. If there is any more emphatic way of putting it, I desire to be understood as putting it in that way."

He swore most positively that he had not prepared the answer sent on Feb. 11 by Sullivan, who had not got his wish or views in the matter.

Gamey in North Perth.

In January, Gamey had called on him in reference to the appointment of a keeper for the lock-up at Little Current, and he had consulted Dr. Chamberlain about it. Mr. Stratton said they were going to confer with their friends. Mr. Gamey had said he was a supporter of the government, and witness had said it looked queer when he was stumping North Perth for the Conservatives. Mr. Gamey had said party friends had urged it on him, that the Liberal party was going to be defeated. Anyway, he hadn't done much harm or much good. Mr. Stratton had heard rumors from Mr. Conmee and Mr. Marter that certain petitions were likely to be dropped, and Mr. Whitney himself had heard rumors, as set forth in a speech of Sept. 10, of certain of his followers preparing to leave the party. He had discussed Mr. Gamey's intention with his colleagues informally on Sept. 10.

MR. STRATTON STEPS DOWN.

Mr. Blake Finishes With the Provincial Secretary.

When the Commission resumed in the afternoon, Mr. Stratton said that nothing had been said on Sept. 9 about Mr. Gamey signing the letter. On that day Mr. Gamey could not have known what sort of letter was wanted from him.

If you could get an interview showing you had a fresh adherent to the government it would be something in favor of the by-election? — I suppose everything that is favorable to the government assists in the by-election.

That would be favorable to the government, no doubt? — Yes, sir.

And so you will now let me have the satisfaction of your sanction to it, it was opportunely that this came out in The Globe? — You may put it that way if you wish.

And this got in on the 30th of January to The Globe? — Yes.

In what terms did Mr. Gamey refer to this letter of the 10th, when he asked you about it? — He asked me for the letter that he had sent to the Premier.

But, why didn't he go to the Premier for that, or to his department?—Oh, I suppose, because he had spoken to me before about it—about political matters—perhaps because that I was the only member of the government he was acquainted with. Very frequently, strangers and outsiders and members go to the member of the government they are acquainted with and have little things done.

And that is all the reason that you can assign for that, that possibly he was on better terms with you than any other member of the government? —I suppose he knew me.

Why Request Wasn't Answered.

Mr. Stratton had not answered Mr. Gamey's letter, in which he wanted to borrow $2000. He was absent from the city at the time. When he returned, the letter was placed before him. He had no money to loan; consequently, there was no need for an acknowledgment. He did not suggest to Mr. Gamey to write to one of the financial companies he was connected with, for "he wasn't doing Mr. Gamey's business."

Mr. Blake sat down.

MR. JOHNSTON RE-EXAMINES,

But Not at Length, and Witness Finishes Strong.

Mr. Johnston did not take long in re-examining his client. He said:

The Globe interview of the 30th preceded what two by-elections? — North York and Centre Bruce.

Had you, previous to that time, had more important by-elections than those were? — Yes.

What were they? — North Perth, North Grey and North Norfolk.

Held Out No Reward.

As to the mode of address in the letter sent, "My Dear Gamey" and "My Dear Sir" there was no real reason for a difference that might be indicated in demeanor.

Then a good deal was said with reference to the question of Gamey wanting, and the government desiring the two things that my learned friend has mentioned; was there any request made by you either on your own account or on behalf of the government to support the government on any consideration whatever?—None whatever.

Was it held out to him in any way to him directly or indirectly except what you have told us—you need not repeat—that his support of the government would be of any benefit personally to himself?—Nothing whatever, it was not.

As to Election Protests.

Then you said Mr. Ross left the protests in your hands? — What protests were left in your hands, because at that time there were no protests? — Perhaps that was not correctly expressed. He left the matter of dealing with the protests in my hands.

To what extent were they left in your hands? — To the extent of deciding what might or might not be done.

At your earlier meetings you have spoken about—at the three meetings—was anything done with refence to protesting any particular constituency? — No.

What class of constituencies was dealt with at those meetings, with the opposition party? — We only dealt with those in which no protests were to be made.

You eliminated all those in which the party leaders agreed there should be no protest, for such reasons as appeared to you to be sufficient, then the remainder of them were to be dealt with, how? — There was no decision as to how they would be dealt with. It was a matter then for the party solicitors to take whatever course they thought best.

From that time on did you have anything to do with it at all? — Nothing whatever to do with it.

Directly or indirectly? — Directly or indirectly.

Arthur J. Van Nostrand, Provincial Land Surveyor, testified as to plans of the Parliament Buildings made recently. He could not say whether conditions were the same now as some months ago.

The Commission adjourned at 3.25 until this morning.

SAYS LORD DUNDONALD

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the Minister of Militia. Col. Hughes upheld the conduct and utterances of Lord Dundonald. He said Hon. Mr. Mulock's speech against militarism had been badly received at the St. George's Day banquet. Col. Hughes said Britain's prestige and civilization, and even her Christianity depended on her military power. A citizen soldier was a free and democratic institution.

Mr. Barker, who had been present at the Hamilton banquet, said there was no ground for complaint in Lord Dundonald's remarks.

Mr. Monk (Jacques Cartier), who was also present at the banquet, confirmed Mr. Barker's opinion.

Comment Was Necessary.

E. F. Clarke thought Mr. Bourassa's remarks were uncalled for and far fetched. If Lord Dundonald was not allowed to comment on the condition of the Canadian militia, what were his duties in this country? Men who came out from the Old Country, British subjects like ourselves, ought to be protected in their efforts to promote efficiency of the Canadian militia. The House ought to frown down attacks on them.

Mr. Thompson (Haldimand) spoke favorably of Lord Dundonald.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier closed the debate with remarks in a similar strain to those of Sir F. Borden, asserting authority of the government strongly, while praising the commanding general.

The discussion of the freight blocked on the C.P.R., started by Mr. Scott's criticism of the company, became general. Mr. Tarte contended that the C. P. R. had done well under circumstances of great difficulty. Everything should be done to encourage a distinctly Canadian enterprise, and criticism should be reasonable. The rainfall in the west last fall had been so small that it was impossible to obtain sufficient water for locomotives. Large additions had been made to rolling stock and the elevator capacity had been increased. It was impossible for one railway to handle the whole crop in the short season of navigation. Farmers ought to build more private granaries, as American farmers do.

Messrs. Puttee, Monk, Smith of Wentworth, Dr. Douglas, Dr. Sproule, Sutherland and Pope continued the discussion.

A lecture of "The Coronation" was given in St. George's Hall last night, by Rev. George F. Davidson of Guelph.

At 9.30 a.m., May 7, in Central Methodist Church, Bloor-street, the Toronto District W. C. T.U. will hold its annual school of methods.

The Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Co. has issued its official guide for 1903, entitled From Niagara to the Sea. It is a creditable pamphlet.

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